



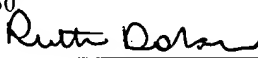
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Botstein et al. Examiner: Canella, Karen A.  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

On February 4, 2005, Applicant filed a Response to the October 6, 2004 Final Office Action in the above-identified application. A Petition was filed on the same day pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for a one (1) month extension of time from January 6, 2005, to and including February 6, 2005 to respond to said Office Action. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1) a check in the amount of \$60.00 for the Petition fee (small entity) was also enclosed.

Applicant is filing herewith a conditional Request for Continued Examination (RCE) to ensure that this earlier response is properly entered and to avoid abandonment of this case. This RCE is conditional in the sense that it is only required if the Examiner has not mailed a Notice of Allowance by today, April 6, 2005. If this RCE is required (i.e., if a Notice of Allowance has not been mailed by April 6, 2005), Applicant hereby petitions for an additional two (2) month extension of time from February 6, 2005, to and including April 6, 2005. With the additional extension, the filing of this RCE on April 6, 2005, is timely. Since Applicant has already paid \$60 for the first month of extension only \$450.00 is now due in order to obtain a three month extension (i.e., \$510.00 - \$60.00).


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Respectfully submitted,  
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